

Missouri Titlark in Louisiana.—A number of Missouri Titlarks (*Anthus spragueii*) were shot on January 20, 1894, at Avery's Island, Iberia Parish, Louisiana. One of the specimens is in my possession. I hardly think the bird has yet been recorded from Eastern Louisiana. Iberia Parish is at the eastern edge of the Louisiana prairies.—GUSTAVE KOHN, *New Orleans, La.*

The Western Winter Wren in Southern California.—On Wilson's Peak, November 24, 1893, I shot a Western Winter Wren (*Troglodytes hiemalis pacificus*). Its sharp *chip*, coming from a thick growth of bushes at the bottom of a small ravine, revealed its presence. On November 17, there was a heavy gale from the northward, and several inches of snow fell on the peak. November 23 some large patches of snow still lay on the summit, and also below it, on the northern side, some 450 feet or so, where the solitary Wren was found. In Belding's 'Land Birds of the Pacific District' this species is recorded as having been taken both at Fort Tejon, 65 miles northwest of here, and at Saticoy, near Ventura. No other Wrens were noted on the peak during our short stay, but at the base of the range a single *Thryothorus*, probably Vigors's Wren, was seen in the evening dusting itself in the sand under a species of white sage.—R. H. LAWRENCE, *Monrovia, Cal.*

Notes on Some Connecticut Birds.—*Melospiza lincolni*.—This shy Sparrow was not uncommon here from September 21 to October 3, 1893. Eight of these birds were secured by Mr. W. E. Treat.

*Sylvania pusilla*.—The Wilson's Warbler is so seldom seen during the fall migration that the capture of two specimens here September 27, 1893, by Mr. Treat, may be worthy of record.

*Vireo philadelphicus*.—A male of this rare species was taken here September 21, 1893, and is in my cabinet. It was killed among some large willows on an island in the Connecticut River.—JNO. H. SAGE, *Portland, Conn.*

Rare Visitants to the Connecticut River Valley in 1893.—*Rynchops nigra*.—During the prevalence of an unusually severe gale the latter part of August, a Black Skimmer was found in West Springfield, Mass., in an exhausted condition, and taken by hand.

*Dendroica palmarum*.—On the 4th of September, in Windsor, Conn., Leon Holcomb of Springfield captured a young Palm Warbler. He found it feeding on the ground in an old field, in company with American Goldfinches.

*Crymophilus fulcarius*.—Near Chicopee, Mass., on the 30th of September, two young Red Phalaropes were captured from a flock of about a dozen.—ROBERT O. MORRIS, *Springfield, Mass.*